

**Testimony of Congressman Robert Hurt (VA-5)  
Before the House Armed Services Committee**

**HEARING: National Defense Priorities from Members for the FY 2014 National Defense  
Authorization Act**

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Chairman McKeon and Ranking Member Smith, I would like to thank you for this opportunity to testify before you today regarding our national defense priorities.

I come before you today to emphasize the important role that science and technology research play in advancing the mission of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), and to encourage the development of an integrated science and technology campus with the University of Virginia (UVA) in Charlottesville and DIA Rivanna Station in Charlottesville.

DIA has reorganized its science and technology programs to adapt and better respond to increasingly sophisticated threats. In addition, DIA is transforming its operation to include more analysts and intelligence gathering activities in regions beyond the Middle East where it has focused so much of its energy over the last several years. In order to quickly adapt, DIA will need to work in collaboration to leverage assets already available in the academic and industrial research community to address new challenges expected to arise.

With four of its science and technology offices active in the Charlottesville region, Congress has called upon DIA to better integrate its activities into an integrated science and technology campus. This vision was encouraged to enhance DIA's abilities overall and to protect against fragmentation of its science and technology efforts. As threats become increasingly more complex and sophisticated, DIA science and technology programs will need to work together and leverage assets available in the academic and industrial research community to address new interdisciplinary challenges. An integrated science and technology campus would create an environment for these collaborative efforts to thrive.

Specifically, I urge the Committee to direct the DIA to submit to the House and Senate Armed Services Committees a strategic plan to complete this integration within 120 days of enactment of the FY2014 National Defense Authorization Act. This plan should address how the DIA is utilizing or plans to utilize academic, industry, and non-profit research organization capabilities to enhance its science and technology focus. It should also consider current facilities and what needs to be designed or constructed to realize the integrated campus.

Thank you again for inviting me to testify here before you today. I believe this process provides members an invaluable opportunity, and I appreciate the Committee's time and consideration.